

Chapter 9.20

OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY

Sections:

9.20.010 Malicious mischief.

9.20.020 Trespassing.

9.20.030 Criminal damage to property.

9.20.040 Theft.

9.20.0 10 Malicious mischief. Any person who wilfully and maliciously tears up, injures, defaces or destroys any sidewalk, curbing, street paving, or crossing upon any street, alley or public ground; or any fire alarm, or sewer drain, or any other municipal improvement; or any building or bridge, or any other property, real or personal, belonging to the city; or any property used in any business impressed with a public interest and usually designated as a public service corporation, that is waterworks, gas, electric light, telephone, street railway or steam heating companies; or who maliciously and wilfully interferes or meddles in any way with the operation of any such business as before enumerated shall, in either case, be punished as provided in Chapter 1.12. Any reference to property, real or personal, made in this section refers to private property, as well as public property. (Ord. 473 § 1, 1974; prior code § 16.108).

9.20.020 Trespassing. Any person who is found to be trespassing upon the premises of another within the city, or any person who trespasses upon any private premises or public grounds, or injures, destroys or carries away any flower, fruit, vegetable, plant, shrub, tree or other thing which may be there or ornament or otherwise, shall be punished as provided in Chapter 1.12. (Prior code § 16.115)

9.20.030 Criminal damage to property. Any of the following acts constitute criminal damage to property punishable as provided in Chapter 1.12:

- A. Knowingly damages any property of another without his consent; or
- B. Recklessly by means of fire or explosive damages property of another; or
- C. Knowingly starts a fire on the land of another without his consent; or
- D. Knowingly injures a domestic animal of another without his consent; or
- E. Knowingly deposits on the land or in the building of another, without his consent, any stink bomb or any offensive smelling compound and thereby intends to interfere with the use by another of the land or building; or
- F. Damages any property with intent to defraud an insurer; or
- G. Knowingly damages the property of another without his consent by defacing, deforming or otherwise damaging such property by the use of paint or any other similar substance. (Ord. 83-5, 1983).

9.20.040 Theft. A person commits theft when he knowingly:

- A. Obtains or exerts unauthorized control over property of the owner; or
- B. Obtains by deception control over property of the owner; or
- C. Obtains by threat control over property of the owner; or

D. Obtains control over stolen property knowing the property to have been stolen by another or under such circumstances as would reasonably induce him to believe that the property was stolen, and

1. Intends to deprive the owner permanently of the use or benefit of the property, or
2. Knowingly uses, conceals or abandons the property in such manner as to deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit, or
3. Uses, conceals, or abandons the property knowing such use, concealment or abandonment probably will deprive the owner permanently of such use or benefit. (Ord. 83-10, 1983).